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Welcoming the New Year with a brief look at the past

Time marches on and, so very quickly, another year has come and gone.

Traditionally, at this time of the year, the front page of *The Elba Clipper* is a review of past events. This year is no exception.

The following are brief excerpts and/or headlines taken from stories appearing on the front pages of last year's editions:

JANUARY

January 4 - • D.A.R.E. Program begins in Coffee County Schools - Sixth grade students are not only beginning a new semester, they are pioneering a new program - D.A.R.E.; • Authorities continue search for missing Enterprise man - Wayne Douglas Bryan, age 51 has been missing since December 16, 1995. He disappeared from a worksite on Co. Rd. 511 just west of New Brockton, AL.

January 11 - • Commission approves subdivision plat - The Coffee County Commission voted to "tentatively" approve the preliminary plat on Sandy Oaks Subdivision in Monday's meeting; • New Brockton Council wants to talk - At the close of Monday's meeting, council members voted unanimously to talk with the commissioners in an attempt to iron out their differences concerning Co. Rd. 533/Tyler Street; • Public Building Authority begins work on new Enterprise courthouse.

January 18 - • Tornado, micro-burst or high wind - Last Thursday evening, between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. four trailers (mobile homes) were totally destroyed when a storm moved through Coffee County; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. remembered - On Monday, Jan. 15, a large group of individuals, approximately fifty men, women, boys and girls marched through downtown New Brockton.

January 25 - • Vaughan terminated by Elba City Council - The Elba City Council voted Monday night to uphold Mayor Ricky Haywood's action earlier in the day terminating city attorney Mark Vaughan; • U. S. Senator Richard Shelby to host county-wide meeting in Enterprise City Hall on Friday, Feb. 16, 1996 at 10:00 a.m.; • Elba man found dead in Enterprise subdivision - Allen (Big Al) Junior Richardson, 30, of Putnam Street, Elba, was pronounced dead by Coroner Tim Whitehead.

FEBRUARY

February 1 - • No-show Wambles back in county jail - Mickey Gene Wambles, age 38, accompanied by his court appointed attorney, Beverly J. Howard of Montgomery, turned himself into authorities last Thursday afternoon; • Dorsey Trailers announces '95 earnings - Dorsey Trailers, Inc. recently announced that net sales for the year ending Dec. 1995 reached a record \$3,227.9 million, an 11% increase over the \$205.6 million for the year 1994.

February 8 - • New Brockton's City Council spends hour behind closed doors - Council members spent an hour in executive session with City Attorney Joe Sawyer talking about the police chief; • Former Kinston principal killed in wreck - James Arthur Helms, 70, of Kinston, AL was pronounced dead at the scene by Coroner Marvin McIlwain; • Brice Paul receives Teaching Excellence Award from the Law Enforcement Academy at the University of Alabama.

February 15 - • Jeff Puckett tenders resignation as superintendent of Elba Electrical Department effective February 29 at 4:00 p.m.; • Jeff Kelley named city attorney - His total pay package will be the same as former city attorney Mark Vaughan. He received \$2,000 per month plus actual courtroom time for cases appealed to a higher court; • Commission meeting centers around roads and subdivision.

February 22 - • Elba woman dies in head-on collision - Killed was Margaret J. Morrow, age 45, of 165 Larkin Road, Elba when the Nissan Sen-

tra in which she was a passenger collided head-on with a Chevrolet Beretta; • Law's Store destroyed by suspicious fire - Authorities are investigating the fire that destroyed Law's Store in the Frisco Community, located in the northeast portion of Coffee County.

February 29 - • Elba moves closer to \$2 million sewer upgrade - Engineers hope to have Feds approval in three months; • Sheriff's department has new deputy - Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates introduced Ferro to the commissioners. Ferro is a unique deputy in that he is a canine - a full-blooded German Shepherd trained to "sniff-out and locate" illegal drugs.

MARCH

March 7 - • New Brockton's police chief reinstated by council; • Two-car collision injures five; • Dorsey Trailers Inc. announces lay-off - The workforce was reduced by approximately 350 employees until improved demand allows production schedule increases; • \$500,000 claim denied by New Brockton - The claim was filed on the behalf of Jesse Snyder, a minor, by his mother and father, Rebecca Gail and Edward L. Snyder.

March 14 - • County & New Brockton remain at odds over roads; • One-vehicle wreck kills one & injures four in Wilkinstown - Last Saturday night, a one-vehicle crash occurred in northern Coffee County resulting in the death of a teenage boy, William Matt Scarbrough, 15, of Troy, was thrown from the vehicle and later died in a Montgomery hospital from injuries received in the crash.

March 21 - • Carol Mooney receives WSPA Class Act Award; • Chief Driggers reprimand matter of record; • Elba receives \$258,378 FEMA grant - The grant will be used to install pumps which will pump stormwater from inside the levee which surrounds the City of Elba; • Community Spirit Day - being planned.

March 28 - • Commission agrees to help on Byrd Mill Road - Damascus Community wants Senior Citizens Center; • Elba City Council approves efforts to install E-911; • Democrats & Republicans slow to qualify; • Chief Justice commends 12th Judicial Circuit; • District Courts; • Plans continue for Band Day '96; • More burglaries solved by EPD.

APRIL

April 4 - • New Brockton accepts county's offer to help on road repair - council votes unanimously to support county-wide E-911 system; • Alabama State Troopers propose new speed limit law legislation; • EMA Director Charles Webb enters county commission race; • City (Elba) receives refund from workmen's compensation insurance; • Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, April 7, 1996.

April 11 - • Courthouse windows cost more than expected - County-wide E-911 referendum to be on June 24th ballot; • News Brief - A former resident of Elba was killed Sunday night in a two vehicle collision, Van Preston Deal, age 30, of 18 Dogwood Drive, Troy, AL was fatally injured in the crash which occurred approximately 3 miles south of Troy on AL Hwy. 87; • Council (Elba) awards bids on sewer project.

April 18 - • Elba Elementary & WSPA salute Debra Lee as Class Act Award Winner; • Elba City Council meets behind close doors; • Elba City BOE approves block scheduling for next school term; • Kleiner's Plant best in World; • Miss Alabama Leigh Sherer coming to Elba.

April 25 - • Elba City Council fires chief of police effective immediately - Elba Police Chief Bruce Peacock asked to hand in badge and beeper; • Commission approves cotton gin bonds; • Clayton Bryant resigns as Superintendent of Coffee County Schools; • Linda Westbrook enters race for District 1 seat on Coffee

County Commission.

MAY

May 2 - • Mickey Gene Wambles sentenced to 35 years in state prison; • Elba City Council holds special meeting - ownership of old Elba Middle School property transferred to Elba Industrial Board; • TV personality to emcee Miss Elba Pageant - Bill Taylor who is with WSEA-TV will be in town on Saturday, May 4, 1996; • Dorsey donates trailer to the American Red Cross.

May 9 - • Law enforcement agencies' combined efforts lead to swift arrest - An Enterprise man, Kevin Gerald Scott, age 18, has been arrested and is being held in the Coffee County jail. He is charged with kidnapping in the second degree, first-degree sodomy, and attempted rape; • Kendra Cole is state handwriting champion; • Search for superintendent to lead Coffee County Schools is underway.

May 16 - • Ziglar trial ends with hung jury - Last Friday afternoon, Owen Ziglar's third trial ended in a hung jury with a mistrial being declared by Circuit Judge William "Bill" Barr late in the afternoon; • Cowen (Myrna) & Williams (Aubrey) to lead Elba City School Board; • White's (Randy) pay reinstated for ten day suspension; • Courthouse resolution approved - The resolution, from the commission, requested, authorized and directed the CCPBA (Coffee County Public Building Authority) to proceed with acquisition and construction of a new county courthouse in Enterprise.

May 23 - • New Brockton Town Council looking for revenue - Town's general fund balance presently stands at \$13,989.00; • Fallen police officer remembered - Wednesday, May 15, flags were flying at half mast in front of city hall in honor of Gregory Bryan Gay, 26, who lost his life responding to an emergency call on July 31, 1995; • News Brief - Last week, House Bill 773, sponsored by Rep. Garreth Moore, was passed by the Alabama Legislature, and signed into law by Gov. Fob James, doing away with divisional juries in Coffee County. Effective immediately, jurors will be selected on a countywide basis.

JUNE

June 6 - • County's voter turn-out light - The voter turn-out for the Democratic and Republican primaries held Tuesday was light. According to the Coffee County Board of Registrars, there are 27,544 registered voters in the county; however, 5,631 of them are on the inactive list (haven't voted in the past 4 or 5 years); • New Brockton Town Council suspends police chief; • Elba jury awards Troy man \$35,000,000.00.

June 13 - • City (Elba) sets sale date for old school property - Motion to hire new police officer sparks debate; • Search for county school superintendent narrows; • Commissioners discuss plat & roads - motion to price new voting machines passes; • News Briefs - On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court refused, without comment, to review the capital murder conviction and death sentence of Willie Simmons Jackson, alias Billy Boy, of Elba - Last month (May), the conviction and death sentence of Billy Joe Maywood was upheld by the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals. Magwood shot and killed Sheriff Neil Grantham on March 1, 1979.

June 20 - • Another lawsuit filed against Elba; • Lawsuit challenges county's new jury venire law; • Superintendent of county schools to be named soon; • E-911 referendum to be decided; • Jack Parker formally announces candidacy for mayor of Elba.

June 27 - • Elba City Council hears update on lawsuits; • Olympic torch coming through area; • Elba applying for \$1 million sewer grant plus \$1.8 million loan; • News Brief - The Town of New Brockton has filed a motion for dismissal of a \$50,000 lawsuit filed by a minor,

Jesse Snyder, through his parents, Edward L. and Rebecca Gale Snyder; • Dr. James Reese, of Enterprise, has been named as the Superintendent of Coffee County Schools.

JULY

July 4 - • Environmental agency fines City of Elba \$500; • Dorsey acquires dump trailer plant; • Kinston youth dies in wreck - Amber Spinks, age 18 of Kinston, was killed when the driver of a 1992 Pontiac, Adam Cecil Davis, age 18 of Opp, ran off the road; • CHINS-UP Camp set for July 22-25; • State troopers predicting 20 will die; • News Brief - An Enterprise youth died last Friday morning two days after being struck by lightning. Jesse Williams, age 10, son of Donald and Judy Williams of Enterprise, was struck by lightning shortly after 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, while playing with two other boys.

July 11 - • Commission recognizes Musser and buys Jeep; • Elba City Council appoints Brunson (Bill) to board; One-car crash kills one - John Aaron Holland was killed instantly when his car left the roadway on Co. Rd. 349. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Coroner Marvin McIlwain.

July 18 - • Elba Water & Electric Board big contributor to city's coffers - Board Chairman Tim Johnson responds to recent comments concerning funding; • News Brief - A young Elba man, Todd Hollinghead, 18, off Route 3 in the Coffee County was seriously injured while working with a piece of farm equipment. The accident occurred shortly after 7:00 p.m. Tuesday.

July 25 - • Elba council approves ballpark work - McCollough's youth park ordinance fails; • County commission appoints board to implement E-911; • Sheriff H. D. Tillman remembered - A part of Coffee County's history - at least living history - was lost with the death of Sheriff H. D. Tillman. He died on Tuesday, July 16, 1996.

AUGUST

August 1 - • Mayor Haywood at odds with council and police department; • Mayor calls for suspension of officer after observing an incident near his home; • Coffee County grand jury indicts Opp youth for murder - An 18-year-old from Opp, Adam Davis, has been indicted for murder in the death of Amber Spinks; • Attempted armed robbery of Jack - The Coffee County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident at Smart's Grocery located on AL Hwy. 87 in the Jack Community. The store is located across the road from the Zion Chapel High School.

August 8 - • City auction brings in \$174,545.00 - Windham Lumber Company purchases old Elba Elementary School building; • Tribute to United States Senator Howell He-ffin appreciation dinner set; • Kleiner's receives Sears Platinum Circle Award.

August 15 - • Elba City Council plays to standing room only crowd; • County seeking computer network grant; • New Brockton handles pre-election chores; • News Brief - The Coffee County Sheriff's Department has arrested Wallace Henry Daniels, Jr., 24, 509 Smith Ave., Elba in connection with the attempted robbery at Smart's Grocery in the Jack Community on Friday, July 26. Daniels is charged with robbery in the first degree and attempted murder.

August 22 - • Reese resigns as Superintendent of Coffee County Schools - Board members unanimously named Rodger Bowden to head county school system; • New jury venire law to be contested; • Alabama's tint law now being enforced; • Elba City BOE approves six million dollar budget.

August 29 - • James Grimes and Ricky Haywood in run-off for Mayor of Elba; • Britt Lee wins mayor's race in New Brockton without run-off; • Troopers predict 14 will die during holiday weekend.

SEPTEMBER

September 5 - • Elba's mayoral runoff election set for September 17, 1996; • Coffee County Schools to receive \$300,000.00; • Plans now underway for Farm-City Week Celebration; • U. S. Senator Richard Shelby supports armed retaliation; • Elba Industrial Board members were treated last week to a tour and demonstration of the new, expanded facilities of Worth Tent Supply.

September 12 - • Coffee County Commission approves \$4.5 million debt; • Bob Innan writes second movie script; • New superintendent's meeting with Coffee County BOE smooth; • Elba local FM radio station, WZTZ, celebrates 10th year of operation.

September 19 - • James Grimes wins mayor's race in landslide victory; • Congress okays \$300,000 for levees in Elba and Geneva; • Local schools receive Goals 2000 grants; • Fred W. Rainer retires from National Security after 40 years of service; • Deputy EMA Director Terry Wilkins returns from trip to Romania.

September 26 - • Alberta Martin last surviving Confederate widow honored; • Coffee County Commission approves record budget of \$10.34 million; • Elba W&E finances local real good.

OCTOBER

October 3 - • Coffee County number one in donations to state's eye bank; • Community Spirit Day set in Elba; • Elba observes Natural Gas Week; • Forty-seven criminal cases set for trial; • News Brief - The Alabama Supreme Court will be in session in Enterprise, Friday, Oct. 11. The state's high court will convene promptly at 10 a.m. in the ESIC student center and hear oral arguments in two cases - one criminal and one civil.

October 10 - • New Administration takes over in City of Elba; • New Brockton's mayor and town council sworn into office; • Lawsuit against City of Elba dismissed by federal judge; • Former Elban manages respite home - Kelly S. Dickerson of Blackshear, Georgia (formerly of Elba, Alabama) has been hired as Director of Sailla Respite Home in Blackshear.

October 17 - • Elba City Council unable to solve money difference with All-Star Sports - Smiths demand no-strings on payment; • County Commission hears complaint and opens bids; • News Brief - Recent undercover drug operation by the Elba Police Department resulted in the arrest of two Elba residents on five counts of unlawful distribution of a controlled substance.

October 24 - • DJ's Country Corner totally destroyed by suspicious fire; • Grimes to head Elba W&E Department; • Jury venire lawsuit delayed; • Elba National Guard Unit returning home; • Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, October 27, 1996.

October 31 - • Elba City Council meeting routine; • Present county commission holds final meeting; • Elba's Christmas Festival set for Nov. 30th - Adam Cecil Davis arraigned on murder charge.

NOVEMBER

November 7 - • New Brockton Town Council now complete - Ricky

Strickland sworn-in as the councilman to fill the vacant seat in District 4; • Election '96 now a matter of record; • The Southeast Alabama Gas District presented a check in the amount of \$8,500.00 to be used for economical development enhancement programs.

November 14 - • Coffee County Commission 1996-2000 sworn in - Linda Westbrook makes history as the first lady elected to serve on the commission; • Residents thank city for work on West Street; • Elba police investigate burglary and rape.

November 21 - • 1996 Farm of Distinction for Coffee County is the Billy Wyrosdick farm located in the Basin Community just south of Elba; • GTE makes error in collecting E-911 fee; • News Brief - An early afternoon bomb threat at the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba forced an hour long evacuation. A call to the Coffee County jail was received Tuesday afternoon at 1:04 p.m. The caller stated, "The boys from Enterprise have put a bomb in the courthouse in Elba and it is going to go off at 1:45 p.m."

November 28 - • Coffee County BOE members sworn in - Charles Walker and Danny Jernigan were sworn in by Probate Judge William O. Gammit; • City Council tables pool hall request; • Troopers predict 18 will die.

DECEMBER

December 5 - • Judge Hightower rules on jury venire lawsuit; • New driver licenses for Alabamians in 1997; • Local VFD promotes fire safety; • Escapees' freedom from county jail short-lived; • Ino VFD dedicates new fire station.

December 12 - • Sheriff asks commission to fence jail in; • Elba City Council holds two-in-one meeting; • Recycling dump site established by City of Elba; • A tragic two-vehicle accident at Turner's Crossroads claimed the life of two people and injured two others. The crash occurred shortly after 10 a.m., Monday.

December 19 - • Coffee County Schools receive report card; • Elba City Schools top ranked in state; • Local conservation district honored with Grand Award; • State troopers urge motorists to be safe and drive sober.

December 26 - • This was the Christmas issue of *The Elba Clipper*. The front page of the paper, as is tradition, featured Elba's Christmas Family. For 1996, the Mart Gray Family was selected. Pictured were: Mart, Minister of Music and Youth at First Baptist Church; Mary, a nurse with SE Al. Training Center; Will, age 6, and John, 5 months.

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY HOLIDAY!

* * HAPPENINGS * *

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING. The New Brockton Town Council will hold its first meeting of the year on Monday, January 6, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. in city hall.

BOE MEETING. The Coffee County Board of Education will meet Thursday, January 9, 1997, at the Board of Education Central Office in Elba. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

DEADLINES. The news deadlines for *The Elba Clipper* will return to normal times: social and church news by 5:00 p.m. on Monday and all other news items and ads by noon on Tuesday.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The new year brings out all the predictors of what will happen during the coming twelve months. "Experts" at the University of Alabama are no different. In late December the 16th annual edition of "Educated Guesses" was released by the college. They added in both the work phone and the home phone of each professor who ventured one of the dozen or so predictions. Below are what the college types predicted for 1997:

- Clinton and Congress to tackle entitlements
- Supreme Court decisions to hinge on O'Connor and Kennedy
- Faster speed limits to lead to more deaths and injuries
- First steps toward putting man on Mars
- War in Taire to escalate
- Media wars to heat up
- More jobs, but slowing economy
- Electronic shopping to overcome security barriers
- Olestra and fat-free products to take off
- Fashion to focus on lean silhouettes, low necklines, sexy swimsuits
- Housing market to stay strong
- Alabama legislature to address tort reform
- State to face critical welfare issues

We have no idea if any of these "Educated Guesses" will come to pass as predicted, but are keeping the phone numbers of the professors on file to later pat them on the back for a job well done or point out that they ain't any better than anyone else at predicting the future.

Recycle, recycle, recycle! This is an idea which needs to be repeated so often that it becomes an automatic reflex for everyone in Elba. There is a push on by the City of Elba to increase use of the recycling which is available behind the old high school. They are accepting cardboard boxes (Christmas packaging actively sought), plastic bottles, newspapers, magazines and brown paper bags.

Right now there are also provisions for recycling Christmas trees. Just take them behind the old high school, just East of the recycling bins. It should be noted that 10 trees would occupy one cubic yard of landfill space. The recycled trees will be available for landscaping mulch or to pond owners for fish habitats.

Christmas is over but one of the "gifts" which ended up in our possession in a *White Elephant* gift exchange during a family holiday gathering stands out. It is a pencil with an eraser on each end! This might be classified as a joke, or getting rid of junk by a member of the family. It may even be a less than subtle message about mistakes. If the latter is true, the erasers will not help, as computers are used to do all the writing now days and not pens and pencils.

In review, the past year has been a relatively good one around here. Some things would be done differently if done again and others would be done better. We are thankful just to be here and it is our prayer to be around with you this time next year!

Tell'em you read it in... THE ELBA CLIPPER



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT...Elba Mayor James Grimes (left) is pictured above as he looks through some of the gifts being presented to Elba area children by the Department of Human Resources. The gifts were distributed on Thursday, December 20, so they could be placed under the Christmas tree by the parents. The toys were collected during Operation Santa. The City of Elba and the Chamber of Commerce assisted DHR in the collection of the toys. Shown with Mayor Grimes is Cheryl Hancock (center) and Barbara Hudson.

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Two-car crash in Enterprise claims the life of an Elba man

A two-car crash in Enterprise took the life of an Elba man and seriously injured an Enterprise woman Friday evening.

Wayne K. DeBoer, 49, of East Davis Street in Elba, died shortly after being taken to Medical Center Enterprise. Also injured in the crash was Dewatha A. Phillips, 30, of Enterprise.

DeBoer was traveling west on Boll Weevil Circle in a 1988 Toyota when he collided with a 1992 Mazda being driven by Phillips. The accident occurred at approximately 7:41 p.m.

According to reports, the Mazda pulled out of the Food World parking lot into the path of the vehicle being driven by DeBoer.

Enterprise Police Chief V. LaVoy Huggins stated that Phillips

was injured when she was thrown from her vehicle.

Phillips, who was nine months pregnant, was taken to Medical Center Enterprise where she gave birth by way of Caesarean section. She later underwent surgery for a leg injury.

Preliminary reports indicate that neither of the individuals involved in the crash were wearing safety belts.

The accident is remains under investigation by the Enterprise Police Department.

DeBoer was a member of the Elba Rescue Squad. A memorial service will be held for him on Monday, Jan. 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church in Elba.

Other funeral arrangements can be found in the obituaries in this edition of *The Elba Clipper*.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

DECEMBER 22 THRU DECEMBER 29, 1996

The Elba Police Department, beginning Sunday, December 22, 1996, investigated the following incidents: four thefts of property, two assaults, one harassment, two criminal mischiefs, one illegal possession of a controlled substance, two unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle, and one personal injury.

Arrests were as follows: one for harassment, one for assault, and one for theft of property.

Traffic citations issued were as follows: one for running a stop sign, one for speeding, three for an expired tag, one for reckless driving, and one for driving while driver's license is suspended.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 - Rescue run to a residence on Co. Rd. 428 (4:06 a.m.); River stage - 5:95 feet (6:35 a.m.); Routine activity.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 - River stage - 4:72 feet (6:33 a.m.); Alarm at Elba High School (8:49 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Taylor Mill Road (9:53 a.m.); Disturbance (domestic) on Reynolds St. (5:23 p.m.).

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - Prowler reported on Taylor Mill Road (1:02 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Ann St. (3:50 a.m.); River stage - 4:53 feet (6:23 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Neil Grantham Dr. (8:22 a.m.); Alarm at The Peoples Bank (12:04 p.m.); Alarm at All-Star Sports (4:20 p.m.); Subject reported with a gun at Tootle Bug's (7:51 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 - River stage - 4:80 feet (6:45 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Taylor Ave. (7:49 a.m.); Disturbance on Dr. Roberts Dr. (10:52 a.m.); Fight reported on Reynolds St. (10:52 a.m.).

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26 - Prowler reported on Adkison St. (3:10 a.m.); River stage - 4:66 feet (6:40 a.m.); Alarm at Elba General Hospital (11:29 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Co. Rd. 208 (3:41 p.m.).

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 - River stage - 4:56 feet (6:30 a.m.); Disturbance reported in the Big Bear parking lot (9:47 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Reynolds St. (10:23 p.m.).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28 - Disturbance reported on Guyton St. (12:19 a.m.); River stage - 4:43 feet (7:08 a.m.); Disturbance reported in Kennedy Estates (3:42 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Larkin Road (4:12 p.m.); Rescue run to Mullins Apts. (7:49 p.m.); Shots fired at Mulberry Heights Park (8:21 p.m.); Rescue run to Morrow Village (11:56 p.m.).

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 - River stage - 4:34 feet (6:45 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Sunset Blvd. (9:18 a.m.); Fight reported at Tootle Bug's (11:30 p.m.).

REPORT A CRIME CALL CRIMESTOPPERS @ 897-3881

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of December 22 through December 29, 1996.

They were: James Daugherty, Mattie Kendrick, Marvin Lindsey, Betty Spurlin, Winnie James, Jackie Bundy, Willie Dismukes, Coy Nelson, Clint Dykes, Trudie Jackson, and Coy J. McDaniel.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Betty Spurlin, Winnie James, Jackie Bundy, Coy Nelson, Tishie Davis, Johnny Manning, and James Daugherty.

MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether large or small, or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2823. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

Bulletin Board

S.S. REP - Courthouse, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call FREE 1-800-772-1213
ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon - First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
ELBA MINISTRIES - Tues. 8:00 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Monday - 6:15 p.m. City Hall
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon - 5:15 p.m. - City Hall (after City Council meeting)
COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday of each month - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
LEONE CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. - 5:30 p.m. - Sage Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. - 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building
MASONIC LODGE 176 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. - Band Room @ Elba High School
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8:12 noon & 12:30-4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894

COFFEE COUNTY COONHUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House
COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise
AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 1st Tuesday - 12 Noon - City Hall Conference Room
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NEW BROCKTON ELEMENTARY FOOD DRIVE...The students and faculty at New Brockton Elementary School worked diligently to collect food so people in the community could have a merrier Christmas. The food drive was sponsored by the sixth grade at NBES. Principal Charles Cole saw that the food was delivered, in cooperation with DHR (Department of Human Resources), to those who had a real need. Pictured above with some of the food items collected are members of the sixth grade class at NBES.

FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman
Terry Everett

Alabama's New Faces in the 105th Congress

With the official swearing-in only two weeks away, Alabama's new Congressional delegation is ready to assume its place in the 105th Congress. Already, the state's new representatives have received their all-important committee assignments. These assignments will have a profound influence on the state's effectiveness in shaping national policy while protecting home interests.

Replacing retiring Congressman Tom Bevill, D-Jasper, in the Fourth District will be Robert Aderholt, R-Haleyville. Aderholt, who is a municipal judge in his Winston County hometown, has secured a seat on the influential House Appropriations Committee. This is important for the state since it will mean two Alabama House seats on that committee—both of which will be in the majority party. Mobile Congressman Sonny Callahan is already on Appropriations. Bevill also held a seat on Appropriations.

With the retirement of Congressman Glen Browder, D-Jacksonville, member-elect Bob Riley, R-Ashland, becomes the new representative from the Third District. Riley, who is a successful businessman in his Clay County hometown, has been given a seat on the important House National Security Committee and the House Banking Committee. Browder was also on National Security. Riley's committee assignments mean the state will have two majority-party members on both committees. He joins me on National Security, and Spencer Bachus, R-Vestavia Hills, on Banking.

On the Senate side, Alabama's new voice in the upper body will be Jeff Sessions, R-Mobile. Sessions replaces retiring Senator Howell Heflin on the Senate Judiciary committee. Sessions also picks up seats on the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, the Joint Economic Committee, and the Select Committee on Ethics.

In addition to these new members from Alabama, the State remains well represented on a host of other key House committees. For example, I will continue serving on the House Agriculture and National Security committees, and will once again chair a subcommittee on the House Veterans' Affairs Committee.

Seventh District representative Earl Hilliard, D-Birmingham, will keep his posts on Agriculture, and International Relations. Fifth District representative Bud Cramer, D-Huntsville, will remain on the Science, and the Transportation committees. As mentioned above, the First District's Sonny Callahan, R-Mobile—the Dean of the House delegation—will continue to be a powerful voice on the Appropriations Committee; while the Sixth District's Spencer Bachus, R-Vestavia Hills, will remain on the Banking, Transportation, and Veterans' Affairs committees. Alabama's senior senator Richard Shelby, R-Tuscaloosa, will continue to represent the state on the Senate Agriculture, Banking, and Select Intelligence committees.

The new year ushers in historic change, including the first Republican-majority Alabama House delegation since 1966, and the first all-Republican Alabama delegation in the U.S. Senate since Reconstruction.

In sum, the state stands to be well represented to meet the challenges of the 105th Congress.

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AREA DEATHS

HAZEL CHRISTINE WORRELL

Hazel Christine Worrell, age 80 of Elba, Alabama, died Friday, December 27, 1996 in a Pensacola, Florida hospital.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, December 29, 1996 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Kenneth Hagler officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba, AL with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include a daughter, Jacqueline Elizabeth Free of Pensacola, FL; a son, Hubert R. Worrell of Dothan, AL; 5 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; 1 great great grandchild.



Mittie Lou Cook

JOHNNIE BENJAMIN PARKS III

Johnnie Benjamin Parks, III, of Dadeville, Alabama, died Tuesday, December 24, 1996 in Glen Haven Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, December 29, 1996 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ken Stroup and Rev. Ellis H. Bowers and Rev. Richard Moss officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba, AL with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his parents, Kathy and Johnnie Benjamin Parks, Jr. of Dadeville, AL; his grandparents, Louise and Burn Bowers of Elba, AL and Helen Kathryn and Paul Taylor of Huntsville, AL.

Master Johnnie Benjamin Parks III was preceded in death by his grandfather, Johnnie Parks, Sr.

MITTIE LOU COOK

Mittie Lou Cook, age 97 of Northport, Alabama, died Tuesday, December 24, 1996 in Glen Haven Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 27, 1996 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ken Stroup and Rev. Tony Pope officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba, AL with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include three daughters, Minnie Matthews of Elba, AL, Connie Pearl Helms of Midfield, AL, and Pauline Burroughs of Gordo, AL; three sons, Daniel Cook of Northport, AL, Lester Cook of Chancellor, AL, and Audford Cook of Selma, AL; 19 grandchildren.

Mrs. Cook was preceded in death by her husband, Willie D. Cook; one daughter, Odell Sturdivant of Northport, AL; and one son, Audley Cook of Selma, AL.

H.T. "JACK" THOMAS

H.T. "Jack" Thomas, age 75 of Tusculoo, Florida, formerly of New Brockton, Alabama, died Saturday, December 21, 1996 in a Titusville, FL hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, December 27, 1996 from Bethany Baptist Church of New Brockton, AL with Rev. Lane Harris officiating.

Burial followed in the church cemetery with Searcy Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, C. Merle Thomas of Titusville, FL; one son, Jerome Thomas of Orlando, FL; two sisters, Beulah Mae Windham and Grace Moore, both of Elba, AL; one brother, Duette Thomas of Brunswick, Georgia; two grandchildren.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage dated August 25, 1986, executed by BERNICE JUNIOR DONALDSON and wife, JOSEPHINE S. DONALDSON, to AMSOUTH MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC., which mortgage was recorded on August 20, 1986, in Volume 80-A, Page 751 of the mortgage records in the office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, which mortgage was, together with the indebtedness secured thereby, and the note evidencing the same, duly transferred to GE CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., by instrument dated December 4, 1995, and recorded April 15, 1996, in Book 8-A, Page 82, Probate Records of Coffee County, Alabama, which mortgage indebtedness was assumed by KENY CARMICHAEL and wife, VICKY CARMICHAEL, the undersigned has elected to declare the entire indebtedness secured by the said mortgage to be due and payable as provided in said mortgage, and notice is hereby given that pursuant to law and the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance to the Coffee County Courthouse at Elba, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on the 27th day of January, 1997, the following described real estate, situated in the County of Alabama, to-wit:

A lot or parcel of land located in Coffee County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point where the south line of the NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 5, T4N, R20E intersects the west side of a road 393.1 feet to the point of beginning, thence continue along the west side of said road N 20 degrees 28 minutes W 517.96 feet to a point, thence S 74 degrees 37 minutes W 350.97 feet to a point, thence S 16 degrees 03 minutes E 519.5 feet to the centerline of Wise's Mill Creek, thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of said creek 445 feet more or less, to the west side of said Coffee County Road #25 and the point of beginning. Said property being located in the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 5, T4N, R20E and containing 3.4 acres, more or less. Together with the dwelling and other improvements thereon.

Also the following personal property: Well to well carpet, GE CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. Transferee

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The Department of Parks and Recreation, City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama 36323 is taking bids for recreational products for the upcoming season of baseball and softball. A complete list of items requiring bids is available from the City Clerk at the above address. Sealed bids, with the envelope plainly marked with the appropriate language, will be received by the City of Elba until close of business, 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 31, 1997. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 3, 1997. All bidders will be notified of the outcome if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is included with the bid.
Dec. 26, & Jan. 2 & 9 chg.

ESTATE OF MYRTIE STRENGTH, DECEASED
Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 17th day of December, 1996, by the Hon. William O. Gannill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
Dec. 26, Jan. 2 & 9 chg.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to D.M. English, Personal Representative, on the 17th day of December, 1996, by the Honorable William O. Gannill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
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VEHICLE FOR SALE
The Water and Electric Board, City of Elba, will sell to the highest bidder the following equipment:
One 1969 1/2 ton bucket truck formerly used as an electric utility line vehicle consisting of a 1969 Chevrolet C-60, VIN# C60P120215, with a Goodwrench P-10 manufactured 366 V8 engine, used approximately 500 miles. Five speed transmission. Vehicle was placed in storage for approximately 4 1/2 years by the City Clerk due to a legal problem, not involving the operation of the vehicle, and was performing satisfactorily at that time. It is being sold as-is, where-is and may be inspected between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the City equipment facility on Highway 200 By-pass.
Any and all bids must be in a sealed envelope, prominently marked "BUCKET TRUCK" and received at City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL 36323, not later than close of business (5:00 p.m.) on January 9, 1997. Bids will be opened by the City Clerk at 10:00 a.m., January 10, 1997, with the high bidder announced immediately thereafter.
11-28-12-5 chg

LEGAL NOTICE
Mr. and Mrs. Dale F. (Paula M.) Maddox will no longer assume responsibility for any debts incurred by anyone other than themselves.
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IV - BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD
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Social & Community Happenings

Caitlin Lewis celebrates 5th birthday

Caitlin Elizabeth Lewis celebrated her 5th birthday on December 2, 1996. Her parents are Keith C. and Merrillyn Lewis of Enterprise. Grandparents are Lloyd and Betty Lewis of Elba and Charles and Marjorie Littlejohn of Enterprise. Great grandparents are Elizabeth Coleman and the late Dewey Coleman of Elba and Sarah Littlejohn and the late Oscar Littlejohn and Clara Swanson and the late Harry Swanson all of Lafayette, Georgia.

Helping her celebrate her birthday on Saturday, December 7 at her home were: her grandparents, Mom and Dad, Great Granny Coleman, Aunt Kris, Aunt Cindy, and cousins Amanda Mills, Annie and Mark Littlejohn, David and Scottie Littlejohn. Party friends were Jacey Corley, Megan and Melodie Monaghan, Katie Edge, April Helms, Morgan Whitlock, and Jessica Pharris.

After playing games they enjoyed Barbie birthday cake, ice cream, chips, and punch.



Caitlin Lewis



Amanda Mills

Amanda Mills celebrates 9th birthday recently

Amanda Mills celebrated her 9th birthday on December 14 with a party at Paw Paw and Nana's in Elba. Her parents are Steve and Cindy Mills of Enterprise. Grandparents are Lloyd and Betty Lewis of Elba and Billy and JoAnn Mills of Enterprise. Her great grandmother is Elizabeth Coleman of Elba.

Helping her celebrate her birthday were Mom and Dad, grandparents, Great Granny Coleman, Uncle Keith, Aunt Merri and cousin Caitlin Lewis. Party friends were Mrs. Alicia and Allison Norris, Cadie Strickland, Amanda Campbell, and Alyssa Mooney.

After riding Amanda and Caitlin's horse, everyone enjoyed birthday cake, ice cream, chips, and soft drinks.

New Arrival

BAILEY ELIZABETH BLACKBURN

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Blackburn, Jr. of Waycross, Georgia announce the birth of their daughter, Bailey Elizabeth Blackburn. She was born on December 4, 1996 at Memorial Medical Center in Savannah. Bailey weighed 6lbs. and 9oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Weylon Henderson of Elba. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James E. Blackburn, Sr. of Waycross.

One hundred great-grandparents are Mrs. Jessie L. Donaldson of Elba and Mr. W.O. Henderson of Elba. Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.K. Giddens and Mr. and Mrs. E.O. Blackburn of Waycross.

ESJC NOTES

ESJC announces fall quarter honor rolls

Enterprise State Junior College officially announces the fall honor rolls.

One hundred fourteen ESJC students earned President's List certificates. These students obtained a 4.00 grade point average during the fall quarter with a course load of at least 12 hours.

Local honorees are: T.A. Mittelbach of New Brockton; Wendy R. Boutwell and Donald R. Reeves, both of Elba; Stacy M. Parker of Jack; and Jody L. Davis and Alyssa Maloy, both of Kinston.

The Dean's List, also compiled at the end of every quarter, recognizes full-time students (scheduling 12 or more hours), who maintain a minimum of a 3.50 GPA during the quarter. The fall quarter list recognized 120 students.

Local honorees are: Venita A. Cooper, Vicki Deaderick, S.S. Richards, Larry Richardson, and Brent A. Evelyn, all of New Brockton; Elaine J. Dodd and Melissa B. Hart, both of Elba; Luran Motes of Jack; R.E. Chambliss, Cynthia C. Clark, and Beverly D. Early, all of Kinston.

Coffee County Schools Menu

January 6, 10, 1997

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Monday - Waffles w/ Syrup, Sausage Link, Cereal, Juice, Milk.	Monday - Steak Sandwich or Pizza, Green Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Oatmeal Cookie, Apple Halves, Milk.
Tuesday - Breakfast Piz-za, Cereal, Juice, Milk.	Tuesday - Fish Nuggets or Comdongs, Cole Slaw, Pineapple Pudding, Blackeyed Peas, Hush Puppies, Milk.
Wednesday - Honey Buns, Cereal, Juice, Milk.	Wednesday - Hamburger Steak w/Gravy or Chicken Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Orange Smiles, English Peas, Rolls, Milk.
Thursday - Scrambled Eggs w/cheese, English Muffin, Cereal, Juice, Milk.	Thursday - Beefaroni or Ham, Whole White Potatoes, Green Beans, Peach Slices, Rolls, Milk.
Friday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk.	Friday - Rib B Cue or Cold Cuts on Hoagie Bun, Tater Tots, Raw Veggies w/Dip, Rice Krispie Treats, Tangerines, Milk.

Happy Holidays!

From the Staff and Faculty
MacArthur State Technical College

Four popular evening courses will begin in January. Register for the following classes January 7 at 6 p.m. in the Student Center at MacArthur State Technical College.

- **Basic Electronics** - Class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8:30 p.m.
- **Microcomputer Software Applications** - Class will meet on Wednesdays from 5 to 8 p.m.
- **Computer Fundamentals** - Class will meet on Tuesdays from 5 to 10 p.m.
- **Upholstery, Quilts, & Curtains** - Class will meet on Tuesdays from 5 to 10 p.m.

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The College will be closed for the holidays December 23, 1996 - January 1, 1997.

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TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS Collecting Christmas gifts for area children is a project conducted annually by employees of TCI Cable TV. Above, Bill Miller, left, and Mark Danley display toys donated by customers and company employees to be used in the Toys for Tots program. The gifts were used to insure a happier Christmas for those who might not have had such a holiday without the help of others.



NURSING GRADUATES HONORED DURING PINNING CEREMONY...Area graduates were honored upon graduation from the practical nursing program at MacArthur State Technical College. Participating in the last pinning ceremony were (l to r) Debra Brewer, Samson; Lanea Weeks, Samson; Misty Senn, Elba; Richard Stewart, Troy; Felicity Dean, Elba; and Tonya Bowden, Elba.

NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

CLIFTON D. YELVERTON

Air Force Airman Clifton D. Yelverton has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Yelverton is the son of E.J. and Gladys L. Yelverton of Elba. His wife, Regina, is the daughter of Doris Austin, also of Elba. He is a 1995 graduate of Elba High School.



CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS PROJECT...Covington Electric Cooperative employee James Apin, left, and Myrna Cotton, Operation Santa Claus supervisor at the Coffee County Department of Human Resources, unload Christmas gifts at the DHR office in Enterprise recently. The gifts were delivered to local children as part of the cooperative's Christmas for Kids project. CEC members and employees purchased gifts for 69 children - 35 in Andalusia, 8 in Brantley, 11 in Enterprise, and 15 in Samson. CEC employees organized the Christmas for Kids project in October as a way to help needy CEC members' children have a happier Christmas. The Department of Human Resources also helped determine the eligibility of the children who received gifts.

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Grover Belcher

Grover Belcher celebrates 72nd birthday

A birthday party for Grover Belcher of Elba, AL was given in his home on Monday night, December 23, 1996. The party was hosted by his daughters, Ernestine, Juanita, and Evelyn and granddaughters, Maria, Kimberly, and Barbara. On Thursday, December 26, a dinner was given in his honor by the children and grandchildren.

Those attending the party and dinner were: Alan Belcher, Maria Kelly, Lydia, Tiffney, Brandy and Brandon, Marcus Kelley, Sharon, Meliki, and Tia, Ernestine Kelley, Melissa, Wesley, Curtis, Jana, and Kimberly, D.J. Belcher, Miko Daniels, Wiley Brooks, Juanita, Ree'Nita, and Dee'Nard, Helen Thigpen, De'Andrea Peterson, Jeff White, Tyrone Kelley, Gina Robinson, Vera Williams, Michael Manning, Evelyn, Mason and Jason, Harold Williams, Donald Smith, Barbara, Quinon, and Michael all of Charlottesville, VA. Warren Belcher of Montgomery, AL, Kimberly Ri-deaux of Opp, AL, Otis Johnson, Joyce and Kathy of Tusculumbia, AL, and Eria Belcher.

Grover says, "Many thanks for birthday cards, gifts, telephone calls, and prayers. And I thank God for letting me live this long and as many more years that He has for me, I'll be thankful for those years too."



Installation Service

The installation of Rev. Darryl Caldwell will be held January 12, 1997 at 3:30 p.m. at Bethlehem MB Church of Elba, AL.

The devotion will be by officers of Antioch, Bethlehem, and Bethel. Scripture: Old Testament - Rev. A.K. Williams; New Testament - Rev. A.C. Darby. Rev. J.C. Fryer will introduce the guest minister, Dr. L.C. McMillian, pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, Bethel Baptist Church, and vice president of Alabama State Convention.

Youth need to know America's Black Heritage, a continuing strength in our society.

December 7, 1896 - Antonio Maceo died a martyr for the liberty of Cuba.

December 9, 1946 - Committee on Civil Rights organized by Executive Order.

December 17, 1973 - Georgia State Representative Julian Bond promoted health care legislation.

December 26, 1908 - Jack Johnson became the first Negro heavyweight champion.

December 29, 1746 - Lucy Terry, black poet, wrote first poem.

December 30, 1800 - Blacks represented 20% of U.S. population.

America's Black History Calendar
Happy New Year & God Bless!
Eria

HARRIS TEMPLE NEWS

Harris Temple COGIC will be having a New Year's Eve Watch Night Service on Tuesday, December 31, 1996 beginning at 9:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Danny Lanier to speak at Union Grove Baptist Church Friday, January 3rd

Danny Lanier, a singer/evangelist from Meridian, Mississippi will be at Union Grove Baptist Church, Friday, January 3, at 7:00 p.m. Come for a one in five of old fashioned singing and preaching. Union Grove Baptist



TRUSTEES VISIT AEC FOR ORIENTATION SESSION...From left, AEC board member Robert Senn, City of Opp, AL; AEC Vice-President Jim Brook; and board member James Grimes, City of Elba, AL, stand outside AEC's newly-repowered McWilliams Power Plant in Gantt, AL, as Engineer Patrick McCown conducts a tour of the plant.

The board members visited McWilliams Power Plant as part of a trustee orientation day they spent recently at AEC headquarters in Andalusia, AL. In all, 10 AEC trustees and two trustees from one of AEC's member systems attended the orientation.



DAR GOOD CITIZEN...Pictured above is Michael Hettinger, who was selected as Kinston High School's DAR Good Citizen.

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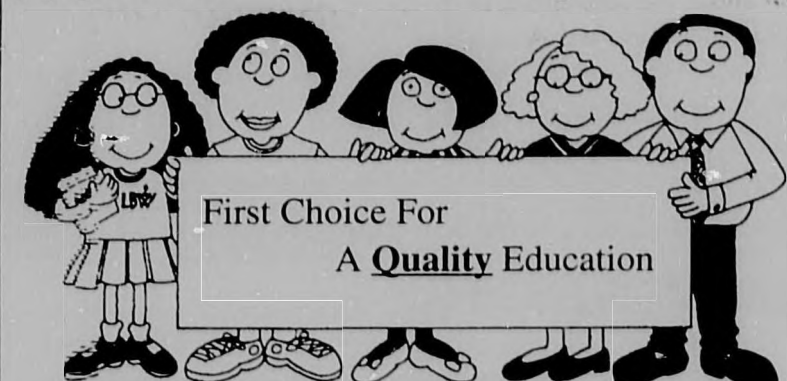
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Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
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BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST - J. J. Halsey
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
A.O. Martin
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Evening Service 6:00 pm

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
E. H. Hill
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
1st, 2nd, 4th, 6th Sundays

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH - Faron Golden
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH - Donnie Marler
Sunday School 10:00 am
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ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bill Beck, MINISTER
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Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm
Even. Worship 6:00 pm

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Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Evening Service 6:00 pm

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Shirley Ellis
Sunday School 9:45 am
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Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Rev. Marvin Ennis
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Morn. Serv. 11:00 am
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm
Even. Worship 6:00 pm

KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Lee Swett-Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Wed. Night Service 5:00 pm
Even. Serv. 8:00 pm

LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH - Rosa & Mary Simon - Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Evening Service 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST - Greg Hanchey - Minister
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Evening Service 6:00 pm

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH - J. R. Parks - Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH - Billy J. McCullough - Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH - Frank Lowery
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 pm

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Wesley D. Ard
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
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INO BAPTIST CHURCH - Gary Winland
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Morn. Worship 11:00 am
Even. Serv. 6:00 pm
Wed. Night Prayer Serv. 7:00 pm

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH - Richard Mease
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Student Spotlight



Pictured above are Carmella Rayborn, Renee Carpenter, Adam Frederick, and Haylee Coleman.

by Kayron Whitworth

Carmella Rayborn: Carmella is the daughter of Cynthia and Ben Rayborn. She enjoys shopping, hanging out with friends, and talking on the phone. She is a member of the EHS singers and also attends Bethlehem Baptist Church. She likes break and band class best at EHS.

Renee Carpenter: She is the daughter of Amelia and Charles Carpenter. She enjoys playing softball in her spare time. She is a member of FHA and attends Shady Grove A.M.E. The things she likes best about EHS are the people and the new block scheduling.

Adam Frederick: Adam is the son of Tommy and Denise Bryan. He enjoys playing baseball and basketball in his spare time. Adam is a member of SADD and attends Liberty Church of Christ. His favorite thing about EHS is going to break.

Haylee Coleman: Haylee is the daughter of Debbie Coleman. Her hobbies include talking on the phone and shopping. She is a member of Westside Baptist Church. Haylee's favorite thing about EHS is seeing her friends and changing classes.

Co-Op Spotlight

by Crystal Wing

Mandy Taylor is in the 12th grade at EHS. Mandy is employed by Pope Brother's Company. She is supervised by William Pope, her grandfather. Mandy attends to 11 office jobs, like answering phones, filing paper work and running errands. Mandy began her new job at the end of November, 1996. Mandy enjoys working for her grandfather and her uncle.

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Christmas Parties

FHA

by Shanta Caldwell

Future Homemakers of America held an annual Christmas party Dec. 11, 1996. Everybody sat around and had a fun time and ate. Chip, dip, cake, sausage dogs, and candy were served.

SGA

by Chastity Williams

The student council from EHS, met at the Pizza Hut in Elba on Dec. 12, for their Christmas Party. The students really had a good time mainly talking with each other and having fun. Everyone also had fun laughing at Andy Huling's head on the lamp. We all had 3 bigfoot pizzas and almost every piece was eaten.

BE CAREFUL!

Tiger Tales



CARLA GRAY
Editor

CHASTITY WILLIAMS
Assistant Editor

New Year's Resolutions

by Erin Vignola

Carla Gray: To make all A's until I graduate.

Carmella Kelley: To have more fun and to smile more often.

Carey Holloway: To make an A in English.

Neil Grantham: Don't do anything stupid.

Clay Sutley: To drop my bad habits.

Jerry DuRose: To get a job.

Melissa Muliarz: To make my best grades on my next report card.

Menda Coleman: To learn to control my attitude.

Onelda Davis: To make all A's the rest of my school year.

Heather Hudson: To make an A in English and Algebra.

Jeremy Sasser: To have more respect for my parents.

Britany McCall: To do good in school and be more positive.

Melissa Benbow: To have as much fun as possible.

Rory Vignola: Change my attitude towards my sister.

Bonnie Vaughan: Better grades.

Walt Russell: To finish everything I start.

Connie Cooper: To be on time.

Shaun Kidd: Better grades.

Andy Daugherty: To be as good as I can at whatever I do, and to have fun.

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Elizabeth Strong: To be a better driver.

William Morrow: To pass all my classes so I can graduate.

Melissa Kidd: To make all A's and B's where I can graduate and have a happy life with Chris.

Mandy Knight: For me to make good grades and have a good time.

Benji Layton: To pass Mrs. Tucker's class.

Amanda Thomas: To keep up my grades and enjoy the rest of my senior year to the fullest.

Hope Coleman: To make good grades so I can graduate and have a good time.

Dana Williams: To be as happy as I can be for the rest of my life.

What's Happening

by Britany McCall

The EHS Basketball Team will play here at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 3 against W.S. Neal. They will also play here at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7 against Florida.

School will resume on January 6, 1997 from Christmas holidays. This will be the beginning of new classes and a new semester.

Elba's Teachers Honored

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics - their former students - in the fourth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers 1996*. There is no greater reward for teachers than to be valued by former students. Only high school and college students who have been cited for academic excellence themselves in *Who's Who Among American High School*.



Pictured above (l to r) are Sylvia Padgett, Jimmie Rhoades, Brian Weeks, Judith Tucker, Mary Grider, and Sue King.

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EHS on the Internet

Check it out by Mr. Stokes

Elba High School is on the World Wide Web and the address for the homepage is - <http://www.alaweb.com/~elba/ehs.htm>

Permission forms were recently sent home for parents to sign giving permission for their children to use the Internet, at school and/or be mentioned in our school's pages.

Many parents may have questions about the Internet or about how it can be used at school. I want to use this space to answer a few of these questions.

The Internet is a worldwide network of computers in homes, business, schools, and universities, and governments that are connected by phone lines, coax cables, fiber-optic cables, and satellites. These computers share vast amounts of information ranging from simple text to complex sound and video images.

This enormous information source is available to anyone with a computer and a link to the Internet.

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